maintain revenue records, their computerisation, lamination of records and aerial survey; and

(b) if so, what is the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

दिल्ली में औद्योगिक मजदूरों के लिए न्यूनतम मजदूरी

*234 श्री सन्तोष बागड़ोदिया: क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली के विभिन्न औद्योगिक मजदूर संगठनों ने 1050 रुपये मासिक न्यूनतम मजदूरी की मांग के समर्थन में न्यूनतम मजदूरी सलाहकार बोर्ड को हाल ही में एक ज्ञापन दिया है, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार की इस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

श्रम मंत्री (श्री बिन्देश्वरी दुबे): (क) और (ख) : जी, नहीं। तथापि। विभिन्न कर्मचारियों/नियोक्ता एसोसिएशनों/यूनियनों से न्यूनतम मजदूरी की प्रस्तावित दरों के बारे में दिल्ली प्रशासन द्वारा प्राप्त सुझावों/आक्षपों को सघ राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली के न्यूनतम मजदूरी सलाहकार बोर्ड की 20 1.89 को हुई बैठक के समक्ष रखा गया । चूंकि न्यूनतम मजदूरी सलाहकार बोर्ड ने कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया है, अतः सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया का प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Disparity in the intake of fertilizers

*235. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI
SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of intake of fertilizers per hectare in the Eastern Sector is lower as compared to the Northern Sector; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and what is the effect thereof on the overall National Production level of agricultural products particularly foodgrains and oilseeds?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reasons for low consumption of fertilisers in the Eastern Sector include poor resource capability of the farmers, difficulty in transportation of fertilisers to interior and hilly areas and the need for scientific nutrient management through proper water management.

Several Thrust Programmes are being implemented to increase production of foodgrains and oilseeds in the Eastern Sector.

Anomaly in fees paid to casual Announcers/News readers of the AIR and Doordarshan

*236. SHRI T. R. BALU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an anomaly between the fees paid to

the casual Announcers and the Newsreaders of the All India Radio and Doordarshan that the Doordarshan Newsreaders and Announcers are paid four times more than their counterparts in the All India Radio;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to bring parity in the aforesaid fees?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) The programme/professional requirements of Announcers and Newsreaders being different in the two Media, the fee for the Casual Artists performing these functions in the two Media also vary.

(c) Does not arise.

Survey to explore mineral deposits in Madhya Pradesh

*237. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey to explore mineral deposits from the commercial and industrial points of view is being carried out during the current year in 13 districts of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, which are the districts where the survey has been conducted so far;

(c) by when the survey is likely to be completed; and

(d) to what extent tin and coal deposits have been found in Madhya Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) to (d) In 1988-89, Geological Survey of India is carrying out survey to explore mineral potential in nine districts in Madhya Pradesh *viz.* Panna, Betul, Balaghat, Chattarpur, Damoh, Raigarh, Raipur, Bastar, and Khargone. Besides, the State Government is reported to be carrying out surveys through its Directorate of Geology and Mining in 13 districts *viz.* Raipur, Durg, Shahdol, Surguja, Bilaspur, Bastar, Datia, Shivpuri, Jhabua, Rewa, Damoh, Mandla and Balaghat.

Surveys relating to exploration for mineral deposits are a continuous process and could continue till the areas have been fully investigated for their mineral potential.

The total estimated deposits of tin and coal in Madhya Pradesh are 7866 tonnes and 29,876.82 million tonnes respectively.

Integrated pest management for cotton crop

*238 SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a workshop was conducted in the Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh participated by the Scientists from ICRISAT, Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University, Central Plant Protection Training Institute (Government of India) Department of Agriculture and representatives of Farmers, Trade and Industry and a strategy was evaluated in integrate pest mangement of cotton crop and the